



Express Mail No.: EL 477 034 050 US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: HOEKSTRA et al.

#16
mb
02/06/02 1646

Application No.: 09/385,918

Group Art Unit: 1646

Filed: August 30, 1999

Examiner: Andres, J.

For: METHODS FOR MODULATING
SIGNAL TRANSDUCTION
MEDIATED BY TGF-B AND
RELATED PROTEINS

Attorney Docket No.: 10624-048

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

FEB 05 2002

RECEIVED

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Box AF

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated August 8, 2001 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1, 3-10 of the above-identified application.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. An extension of time for responding to the final rejection for 3 month(s):
 was filed on
 is submitted herewith.
2. A timely response to the final rejection has been filed.
3. A fee in the amount of \$320.00 is:
 Required.
 Not required (Fee paid in prior appeal).
4. Applicant has qualified for the 50% reduction in fee for an independent inventor, non profit organization or small business concern and a fee in the amount of \$160.00 is:
 Required.
 Not required (Fee paid in prior appeal).
5. Please charge the required fee, if any, to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony M. Insogna
By: *Leon F. Hebert*

Anthony M. Insogna
By: Leon F. Hebert

Reg. No.: 35,203
Reg. No.: 46,764

Date January 28, 2002

02/01/2002 MGEBREM1 00000100 161150 09385918

02 FC:219 160.00 CH

PENNIE & EDMONDS LLP
1155 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10036-2711
(212) 790-9090